

Commissioners,

With regard to broadcast media ownership proposals, may I plead with you to use your influence to stop so much power from being concentrated in the hands of so few. I have been a professional journalist for over 20 years, and find the trend extremely disturbing. Americans need more access to more ideas NOT CONTROLLED BY THE CORPORATE FEW. What happened to the "free marketplace of ideas?" Please do not continue to allow AOL, DISNEY, VIACOM, GE, NEWS CORP, AND VIVENDI to control the ideas that flow into our homes and minds. When I began reporting news in 1977, the FCC was strong and promoted community values, holding stations responsible for filling a community service obligation to listeners/viewers. Why are you increasingly willing to turn over the intellectual lifeline (our airwaves) to corporate interests? Please reverse this disturbing trend.

Sincerely,

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